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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : KITAMURA et al.  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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ATTENTION: Mail Stop PCT

RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER  
35 USC 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 USC 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US), mailed on March 22, 2007 please find enclosed the executed inventor(s) Declaration.

We trust that this matter is in order, but if there is any further action required please advise us immediately.

Respectfully submitted  
for Applicant(s)



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Enc.: Executed Declaration

Copy of Notification of Missing Requirements

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SHOULD ANY OTHER FEE BE REQUIRED, THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK  
OFFICE IS HEREBY REQUESTED TO CHARGE SUCH FEE TO OUR DEPOSIT  
ACCOUNT 13-0410.